



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Military Order of Foreign Wars Week

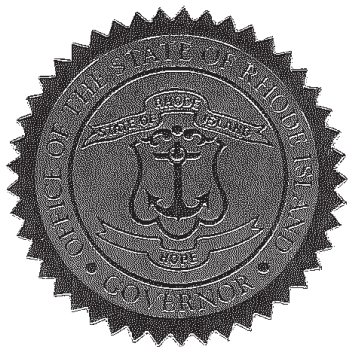
WHEREAS, the Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States was founded in 1894 in New York City to preserve the history and deeds of those who served in each of the foreign wars since national independence; and

WHEREAS, the Rhode Island Commandery of the Military Order of Foreign Wars was established in 1900 and now celebrates its 111th year of continuous service; and

WHEREAS, the Commandery is made up of members who have served in, or during all wars and conflicts up to the present, while promoting military history and traditions; and


WHEREAS, the Rhode Island Commandery has taken the initiative to observe and celebrate Rhode Island Independence Day; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINCOLN D. CHAFEE, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2011 as Rhode Island Commandery, Military Order of Foreign Wars Week and call on all citizens to join in honoring the men and women of Rhode Island who have bravely and honorably served in the United States Military.



Given under my hand and the great
seal of the State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations,
this 1ST day of May, 2011


Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor


A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State